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## Arrivals.

July 24, HECTOR, North Ger. sch., 200, Van Harten, from Whampoa.  
July 24, H. I. C. M. & Co. LING-PENG, 400, Cockatoo, from Canton 24th July.

## Departures.

July 23, Otto, for Takao.  
July 23, Jane SPIERS, for Saigon.  
July 25, HUMBERTO, for Tientsin.  
July 25, GUNGA, etc., for Singapore, &c.  
July 25, BOMBA, etc., for Yokohama.  
July 25, MADRAZ, etc., for Shanghai.  
July 25, ALASKA, etc., for San Francisco.

## Clearances.

AT THE HARBOURMASTER'S OFFICE,  
24TH JULY.

Nancy, for Singapore.  
Araby Maid, for Whampoa.  
Golden Dragon, for Whampoa.  
Jane, for Whampoa.  
Yol-kung, etc., for Swatow.  
St. Aubin, for Cape St. James.  
Alaska, etc., for San Francisco.  
Kuishi, etc., for Shanghai.

## Passengers.

None.

## Reports.

The ship Golden Sea, Hardy, hence for Dunedin, New Zealand, on the 4th May, passed Admiralty 26th June, 50 days out.

## Vessels Expected at Hongkong.

(Corrected to Date.)  
Names Dates  
Queen's Own..... Liverpool..... June 23  
Iron Duke..... Portsmouth..... June 24  
Aron..... Cardiff..... Feb. 18  
Jesus' Saviour..... Cardiff..... May 11  
Archos..... Cardiff..... May 23  
Prince Waldemar..... Hamburg..... May 24  
Tomy..... London..... May 25  
Veronica..... London..... May 27  
Johanne..... Cardiff..... Apr. 3  
Chambler..... Cardiff..... Apr. 3  
Glance..... London..... Apr. 16  
Drake..... Waldemar, Dutchman..... Apr. 17  
Tyburn..... London..... Apr. 18  
Thorkild..... Cardiff..... Apr. 18  
Star of China..... Cardiff..... Apr. 18  
Yangtze..... London..... Apr. 19  
Marin..... Cardiff..... Apr. 21  
Ellen Brown..... Cardiff..... Apr. 21  
Jorgen Brab..... Cardiff..... Apr. 23  
Mikado..... Cardiff..... May 2  
Channel Queen..... Cardiff..... May 2  
Princess..... Cardiff..... May 4  
Alice..... Hamburg..... May 7  
Frederick Warren-Shields..... May 11  
Europe..... Cardiff..... May 19  
Lord Macaulay..... Cardiff..... May 23  
Sun-foo (6)..... London..... May 25  
Brookton..... London..... May 25  
Usa, (8)..... London..... June 3  
Sea Belle..... London..... June 3  
Nova Scotia..... Cardiff..... June 8  
Doverian..... Shields..... June 11  
Athena..... Cardiff..... June 14

## Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £5,000,000 of Dollars.

### Court of Directors.

Chairman—Hon. R. HOWEY,  
Deputy-Chairman—T. P. PITT, Esq.  
R. B. BROWN, Esq.  
George J. HILLARD, Esq.  
A. J. COOK, Esq.  
Manager—James GRIGG, Esq.,  
Acting Chief Manager.  
Shanghai—David McLEAN, Esq.  
London Bankers—London and County Bank.

### HONGKONG ALLOWED.

Our Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of one per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

### On Fixed Depositors.

For 3 months 2 per cent. per annum  
12 5  
Local Bills Discounted.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief commercial cities of Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JAMES GREEN, Acting Chief Manager, of our Corporation.

No. 1, Queen's Road East,  
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1871.

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Fourth Call of Two-and-a-half Dollars per Share, on the Shares of the Capital of the Corporation numbered from 20,000 to 40,000, will be payable on the 1st day of JULY last, at the Head-Office and Branches of the Bank.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per centum per annum will be charged on the amount of all calls unpaid, and the other provisions of the 30th article of the Deed of Settlement of the Corporation will also be enforced in respect of Shares upon which the Calls remain unpaid.

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## Intimations.

THE NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.  
ESTABLISHED 1ST JANUARY, 1863.

CAPITAL SH. T.L.S. 1,500,000 IN 1,000  
SHARES OF T.L.S. 1,500 EACH.  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL SH. T.L.S. 300,000  
OR T.L.S. 300 PER SHARE.

### Provisional Committee.

E. H. LAYTON, Esq., Chairman; Messrs. Gilman  
& Pitt, Mr. Walker, Esq.,  
F. P. MITCHELL, Esq., Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.

M. O. SMITH, Esq., Messrs. Turner & Co.

J. L. MILNE, Esq., Messrs. J. Jarvis & Co.

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## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

#### GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

##### LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.

will sell by Public Auction,

THIS DAY,

the 25th July, 1871, at noon,

At their Auction Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,

Central.

An Inventory of Office and Stationery

and Household Goods, Books, Stationery, Writing Utensils, Pens, Ink, Paper, Tinted Stationery, in small packages, Envelopes, Blank Account Books, Memo and Pocket Books, Writing and Copying Ink, Blue and Red Ink, &c., &c.

An Inventory of Hair and Cloth, BRUSHES

Wooden PIPES, &c., &c.

50 ACCORDIONS.

100 dozen men's and women's Leather SOCKS,

Stockings, Silks, HATS, Dawson's

BOOTS, Linen COLLARS, Black ALBATROSS

and PARMAFATTA, Turkish TOWELS,

White FLANNEL, &c., &c.

50 dozen superior English-made SILK UM-

BRELLAS, 3 Ribbed.

CHOCOLATE and GLASSWARE,

Tea, Coffee, &c., &c., &c.

10 dozen fine STOUT,

Old, OLD TO, Hemsley's BRANDY,

CHERRY CORDIAL, &c., &c.

30 Glass York HAMS,

30 Owl White ZINC,

40 Bolts Repairing CANVAS, assorted

numbers.

6 MIRRORS in Gilt FRAMES,

And a variety of other GOODS.

Also,

To close a Consignment,

M. 35 Cash Hamper, Price MSS. POKE.

600 14/17, 2 Cash COCOINEAL.

(For account of whom it may concern.)

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

#### THE Undersigned has received instructions

to sell by Public Auction,

THIS DAY,

the 25th day of JULY, 1871, at 2 P.M.

At the Godwin's Auction Rooms, DUBOIS

Ward, No. 7, Queen's Road,

Opposite the Post Office.

All their remaining STOCK of Fine WINES,

BRANDIES, LIQUEURS, &c., &c.

Comprising:

Montebello CORDON NOIR,

do CARTE BLANC.

VERZENAY, and other BRANDS.

CARBATS—MEDOC, MARGEAUX, ST. EMILION, ST. JULIEN, &c.

Dijon Fine CHAMPAGNE.

BRANDY, &c., &c.

BARSAC, SAUTERNNE, CHABLIS, NO-

YAU, VERMOUTH, PORT, SHER-

BY, CURACAO, ANISSETTE, &c.

Assorted SYRUPS, LIQUEURS, &c., &c.

And a few cases of Preserved FRUITS,

VEGETABLES, PATES, OIL, VINEGAR,

&c., &c.

The whole will be sold in lots to suit pur-

chasers.

Catalogues will be issued.

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### PUBLIC AUCTION.

#### THE Undersigned has received instructions

to sell by Public Auction,

THIS DAY,

the 26th July, 1871, at 12 o'clock

At their Auction Rooms, WADSWORTH,

Opposite the Post Office.

The following sizes of Oregon PINE LUM-

BER, in lots to suit Purchasers:

11 inch 11 feet

14 " 10 "

17 " 9 "



## THE ALCOHOL QUESTION.

The Nation has some remarks on the anti-alcohol question in America which are well worth Mr. Bruce's consideration. All that has been done, it says, for temperance in the world as yet has been done by preceeding men not to drink, or giving them better things than drinking to do; which really does not seem logical enough to make much. When you get into a man's head and heart you hold him still, which the policeman can never do, and it is through this will that drunkenness is to be conquered. The present movement in favour of prohibition, one of those outbreaks of impatience with objectionable practices in which the good people of the world have indulged every now and then since Governments were set up. Nothing is harder than to refuse to do what people want to do. Some people, doing what you don't like, when you think those powers are within your reach. This is a feeling which has been at the bottom of all that legislation in aid of morals and religion from which the world has suffered so greatly, so much of which is now recognized as barbarous and inhuman, and so much of which we laugh over as silly. It has taken fifteen hundred years of experiment to teach us that it is not good, though in many places the faith should prevail that by law they will be equal to sober. There is nothing, however, in the lessons of history or in what we see of the tendencies of society in our day to warrant this conclusion. There have been three great attempts made in Christendom to police men into personal purity: Calvin at Geneva, that of the Puritans in England and America, and that of the Society of Friends. They have all failed and failed hopelessly, and there is no chance of their ever being repeated. The Nation omits to mention Mr. Bruce's famous attempt to reform the cabs and omnibuses in this metropolis. The success which attended this measure gives us every reason to expect that he will be equally fortunate in his further experiments.

## AN EXTRAORDINARY CAREER.

At the Manx court of general assizes, held at Castle Rushen, Castletown, Isle of Man, recently, John J. Collier, a youth of eighteen years of age, was tried upon a charge of forgery. The Attorney-General and Mr. Lauder, prosecuted, and Mr. Stephen defended. The prisoner has passed through a strange career during the last six months. On account of his attention to business his master, Mr. Kelly, a draper carrying on an extensive trade in Peel, promoted him, although he was only an apprentice, to a leading position in his establishment, and after a time sent him out to travel. The young took advantage of this opportunity to commit a most extraordinary series of robberies. "Gowain" from his rounds he appeared always to have had most successful journeys, judging from the number of orders he seemed to have obtained. These were for all sorts of goods, from suits of clothes and silk dresses to books of every description. Mr. Kelly was congratulating himself upon the magnitude of the business he was doing, and looks to the "Gowain's" exertions, when he discovered that the greater part of these orders were fictitious, and that he had been the victim of a wholesale system of embezzlement, which had been carried on by the prisoner. The manner in which the swindle was found out was as follows.—Mr. Kelly had occasion to send some patterns to the prisoner, and then it was found that he was not on his beam. This aroused Mr. Kelly's suspicions, and with the aid of Sergeant Jasen, recently of the Royal Engineers, who proceeded to search the quarry, which resulted in the discovery of large quantities of goods which had been stowed away by the prisoner in different parts of the island, and which he had got possession of by pretending that they were for different parties to whom he had been entered in his master's books. Mr. Kelly's suspicions had all along been lulled by the prisoner from time to time, making small payments on account of the various customers which he caused his master to believe he had. At length, however, the disclosure of these embezzlements was discovered so that the prisoner had to confess his description of offence aided the crime of forgery." In the month of April he went to the Bank of Mona, id Douglas, and presented a bill of exchange for £25, purporting to be drawn in his favour, and accepted by two persons named White and Abbott. The manager of the Bank of Mona declined to discount the bill, and the prisoner, not finding it accepted, sent some one else to the bank. The prisoner went straight away to another bank in Douglas—that of Messrs. Dumbell, Son, and Howard—where he was more successful, for Mr. Dumbell, knowing Abbott, at once cashed the bill. A day or two afterwards it was discovered that it was a forgery, and the prisoner, who by that time was in custody for the embezzlement, was committed for trial. At the general assizes, however, he was acquitted, and on his being found guilty, so that he was sentenced to seven years' transportation. The charge of embezzlement was consequently not proceeded with.

## THE SALE OF WAR STEAMERS.

The announcement that several first-class steam vessels and gun-boats belonging to the Government would be disposed of by public auction attracted to Lloyd's Captain's Rooms, Royal Exchange, a large number of eminent ship-owners from all parts of the country. Seven vessels were submitted for sale, but only four were sold, the others being too much lower than the Government's estimate as to the selling price. The first vessel offered was Her Majesty's screw steamer Queen, 3,240 tons; dimensions—length, 216ft. 7in.; breadth, 60ft. 2in., depth, 24ft. 6in.; built at Her Majesty's Dockyard, Portsmouth, in 1859. She is fitted with a pair of horizontal engines of 600 horse-power, by Messrs. John Penn and Son. Now lying at Her Majesty's Dockyard, Portsmouth. The hull, 100ft. long, 20ft. wide, and 10ft. deep, is of iron. 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